Amendments to the Claims

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Claims 1-5 Canceled

6. (Currently amended) A process for enantioselective synthesis of a sulphoxide of formula I either as in the form of a single enantiomer, a tautomer of the single enantiomer, or in an enantiomerically enriched form of the compound, or a tautomer of the entiomerically enriched form of the compound.

wherein Het is

and X is a leaving group, wherein the process comprises such as a halogen (F, Cl, Br, I), NO₂; N₂+or-OSO₂R (R is CH₃, CF₃, p-toluene, m-chlorobenzene, p-chlorobenzene), characterized in that oxidizing a pro-chiral sulphide of the formula II,

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wherein Het is defined <u>above</u>, as above, i) is oxidised in an organic solvent with an oxidising agent and in the presence of a chiral titanium complex and optionally a base - ox

- ii) is oxidised in an organic solvent with an oxidising agent and in the presence of a chiral titanium complex, optionally in the presence of a base, wherein the titanium complex has been prepared in the presence of the pro-chiral sulphide, or
- iii) is oxidised in an organic solvent with an oxidising agent and in the presence of a chiral titanium complex, optionally in the presence of a base, wherein the titanium complex has been prepared during an elevated temperature and/or a prolonged preparation time, or
- iv) is oxidised in an organic solvent with an oxidising agent and in the presence of a chiral titanium complex, optionally in the presence of a base, wherein the titanium complex is prepared in the presence of the pro-chiral sulphide and during an elevated temperature and/or during a prolonged preparation time.

Claims 7-9 Canceled

- 10. (New) The process according to claim 6, wherein the leaving group X is selected from the group consisting of halogen, NO_2 , N_2^+ , and OSO_2R , wherein R is CH_3 , CF_3 , p-toluene, m-chlorobenzene, or p-chlorobenzene.
- 11. (New) The process according to claim 6, wherein the process is carried out in the presence of a base.
- 12. (New) The process according to claim 6, wherein the titanium complex is prepared in the presence of the pro-chiral sulphide.
- 13. (New) The process according to claim 6, wherein the titanium complex is prepared at an elevated temperature and/or during a prolonged preparation time.
- 14. (New) The process according to claim 6, wherein the titanium complex is prepared in the presence of the pro-chiral sulphide and at an elevated temperature and/or during a prolonged preparation time.

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